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Ron Barriere Presented “Drafting & Negotiating Separation Agreements”

Negotiating and drafting agreements play a significant role in any domestic relations practice. Family Court practitioners are overwhelmingly encouraged to enter into agreements to either partially or fully resolve their client’s cases. The art of skillfully negotiating an agreement for a client involves not only thorough knowledge of the law, but a strong attorney-client relationship and an amicable relationship with opposing counsel.

On December 11, Ron Barriere and a panel of legal professionals discussed drafting and negotiating separation agreements at a program hosted by Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education. The program covered the following topics:

- What considerations should an attorney undertake when drafting a separation agreement for a divorce or an agreement for judgment for unmarried parents?
- What documents must an attorney have a thorough command of prior to entering into a negotiation for an agreement?
- How can an attorney prepare a client for the inevitable compromises required to reach an agreement?
- What dynamics occur when clients are present in real time as a negotiation unfolds?